

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is presented to eliminate place the application in better form for examination. No new matter has been added.

Claims 18 and 20 have been canceled. Claims 14 to 17, and 21 have been amended. Claims 14-18, 19 and 21-26 remain in this application, with claim 14 being the independent claim.

It is believed that the amendments to the claims overcomes the objections and rejections of the claims raised in the Office Action dated June 6, 2003.

Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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